

## **CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

### **SUBJECT:**

Resolution Nos. 8669 and 8670 authorizing execution of the 2014– 2019 Emergency Medical Services Advanced Life Support (ALS) and Basic Life Support (BLS) contracts with King County.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

These resolutions authorize the City to execute two six year agreements with King County to fund the City's Medic One Advanced Life Support Services (ALS) and Basic Life Support (BLS) programs. Under these agreements, Bellevue will receive up to \$8,290,284 for Advanced Life Support Services and \$2,061,945 for Basic Life Support Services in 2014 from the King County EMS Levy. Bellevue receives this revenue on a reimbursement basis for actual costs incurred. The amount of ALS and BLS funding received from the EMS Levy is calculated annually. Adopting these resolutions will allow the City Manager to approve funding for future years.

During the 2013-2014 budget process, the City Council approved operating funds for both ALS and BLS programs. As a result, approving these contracts has no fiscal impact to the General Fund.

### **STAFF CONTACT:**

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<i>Fire Department</i>	

### **POLICY CONSIDERATION**

Should the City of Bellevue continue to participate in a Regional Emergency Medical Services program and authorize the City Manager to execute the 2014 – 2019 Emergency Medical Services Advanced Life Support (ALS) and Basic Life Support (BLS) contracts with King County?

### **BACKGROUND**

The planning process for the 2014-2019 EMS Levy began with the first meeting of the EMS Levy Advisory Task Force in October 2011. Representatives of 19 stakeholder agencies/associations from around the region were represented by the Task Force. Councilmember Don Davidson represented the City of Bellevue.

All representatives of stakeholder agencies provided detailed programmatic review and financial analysis associated with the EMS Levy. This review was done through four subcommittees: Advanced Life Support (ALS), Basic Life Support (BLS), Finance, and Regional Services. Bellevue Fire Department staff participated on all subcommittees. Fire Chief Michael Eisner served on the ALS Subcommittee; Battalion Chief Mark Moulton

served on the BLS and Regional Services Subcommittees; Fiscal Manager Stacie Martyn served on the Fiscal Subcommittee.

Elected officials served as the subcommittee chairs and included: ALS Subcommittee Chair, Seattle Fire Chief Gregory Dean representing Seattle Mayor Mike McGinn; BLS Subcommittee Chair, Renton Mayor Denis Law; Regional Services Chair, Tukwilla Mayor Jim Haggerton; and Finance Chair, Redmond Mayor John Marchione.

BLS services are provided by local Fire Department Firefighter/EMTs (Emergency Medical Technicians) which include emergency medical treatment such as care for victims of trauma, and may include wound care, splinting, extrication from vehicles, cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and cardiac defibrillation. All Bellevue Firefighters are trained as EMTs.

ALS services, which are provided by Firefighter/Paramedics, are physician-level invasive procedures that include endotracheal intubation, intra-cardiac injections, administration of IV/drug therapy and cardiac defibrillation. Bellevue currently operates four full-time paramedic units under the King County EMS program. Bellevue's service area for paramedic services includes Mercer Island and areas east of Bellevue to Snoqualmie Pass.

In February 2013, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 8521, endorsing the placement of the county-wide ballot proposition for funding Emergency Medical Services on the November 2013 County ballot. On November 6, 2013, King County voters overwhelmingly approved a 6-year levy of \$0.335 per \$1,000 assessed value (AV), thus providing funding for 2014 through 2019. The Levy allows for the continuation of standardized ALS care throughout the County and offsets some of the local costs associated with providing BLS services.

The current ALS and BLS contracts under consideration are for six years and will encompass the entire levy period through 2019.

In preparation for the November 2013 Countywide EMS Levy vote, the King County EMS Steering Committee updated the 6-year EMS financial plan to ensure that 100% of the ALS expenditures would continue to be covered by levy funding. In addition, as part of the levy planning process, King County also approved fiscal policies containing specific financial reporting and oversight elements for the EMS levy funds. Highlights include an annual review of the financial policies by County Council, performance and financial audits, and the requirement to maintain a capital plan for the replacement of ALS vehicles and equipment.

#### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

If approved by Council, these Resolutions will become effective immediately.

### **OPTIONS**

- 1, Adopt Resolution Nos. 8669 and 8670, authorizing execution of the 2014– 2019 Emergency Medical Services Advanced Life Support (ALS) and Basic Life Support (BLS) contracts with King County.
2. Do not adopt Resolution Nos. 8669 and 8670, and provide alternative direction to staff.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Adopt Resolution Nos. 8669 and 8670, authorizing execution of the 2014– 2019 Emergency Medical Services Advanced Life Support (ALS) and Basic Life Support (BLS) contracts with King County.

### **MOTION**

Move to Adopt Resolution Nos. 8669 and 8670, authorizing execution of the 2014– 2019 Emergency Medical Services Advanced Life Support (ALS) and Basic Life Support (BLS) contracts with King County.

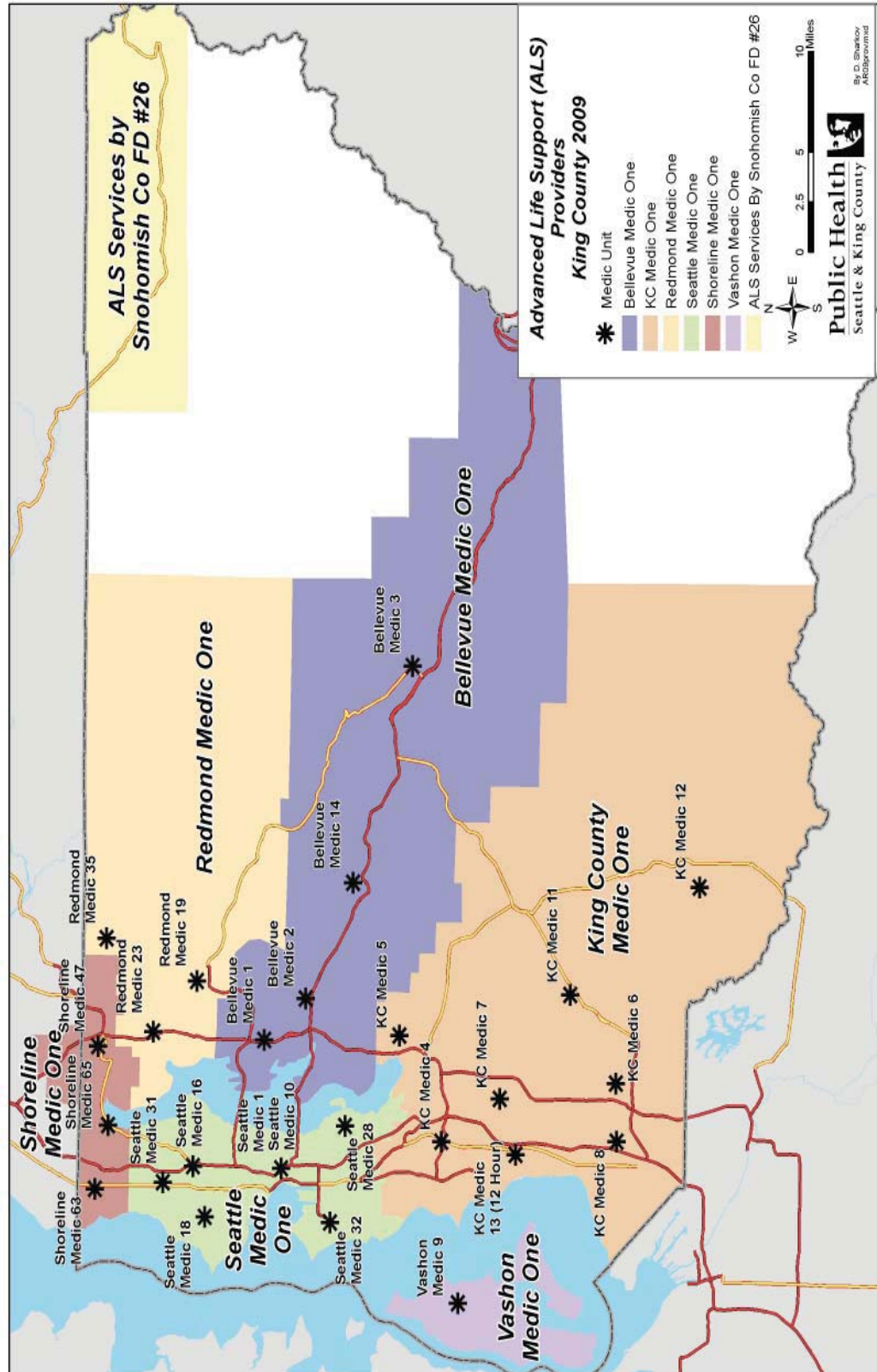
### **ATTACHMENTS**

King County ALS Providers Area Map  
Proposed Resolution Nos. 8669 and 8670

### **AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL OFFICE**

Basic Life Support and Advanced Life Support contracts.

Appendix C: Regional Map of the Advanced Life Support (ALS) Provider Areas



CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 8669

A RESOLUTION authorizing execution of the 2014-2019  
Emergency Medical Services Advanced Life Support (ALS)  
contract with King County.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON, DOES  
RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to  
execute the 2014-2019 Emergency Medical Services Advanced Life Support (ALS)  
contract with King County, a copy of which contract has been given Clerk's  
Receiving No. \_\_\_\_\_.

Passed by the City Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013,  
and signed in authentication of its passage this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
2013.

(SEAL)

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Conrad Lee, Mayor

Attest:

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Myrna L. Basich, City Clerk

CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 8670

A RESOLUTION authorizing execution of the 2014-2019  
Emergency Medical Services Basic Life Support (BLS)  
contract with King County.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON, DOES  
RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to  
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